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Sir:

In response to the July 12, 2002 final Office Action, it is respectfully requested that the time for filing a response be extended for a period of three (3) months from October 12, 2002 to and including January 12, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$460.00 (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes.

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